

Kentucky, 1861

Game Session 2 – Late January

1861, 11 am



Louisiana's Secession Convention

Some announcements

- Bonus points
 - o You will receive a bonus point to your Kentucky 1861 Assignments grade for volunteering to have your speech paper posted on Canvas.
 - o Email me or write in the Canvas comment box that you are volunteering.
- Send me any resolutions or acts before class

Secession

- It's "secession," not "succession."

Announcements

The Gulf States of the Deep South have seceded, formed the Confederate States of America, established a capital in Montgomery, Alabama, and declared Jefferson Davis, a prominent Mississippi planter, politician and Mexico War veteran, their president.

The slave states of the Middle and Upper South remain in the Union.

Mayor Fernando Wood of New York City proposed the secession of that city and the creation of the Free City of Tri-Insula, which would comprise Manhattan, Long Island, and Staten Island. He expressed his confidence that independence would allow the city to remain central to the cotton trade. (This is not really a serious suggestion.)

This session takes place in late January 1861.

Order of Deep South Secession

December 20, 1860 – South Carolina

January 9, 1861 – Mississippi

January 10, 1861 – Florida

January 11, 1861 – Alabama

January 19, 1861 – Georgia

January 26, 1861 – Louisiana

February 1, 1861 – Texas

Loyal slave states: Arkansas, Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia

Note: So far no organized fighting has occurred.

Other Announcements

- The Inspector General (IG) recruited more members for the Kentucky State Guard (KSG). (Strength goes from 2 to 3.)

An Act for the Defense of the Jackson Purchase- Introduced

Funds will be appropriated from the state treasury for the purpose of erecting suitable defensive works along the Mississippi River within the Jackson Purchase.

The Inspector General shall appoint commissioners to oversee the expenditure of said funds and the construction of said works.

The commissioners shall employ only laborers of good moral character. The Commissioners shall ensure that the peace and good order of the surrounding neighborhoods are not disturbed by anti-protestant or abolitionist sentiments. The use of the labor of enslaved people is authorized.

This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Resolution on Secession

The State of Kentucky recognizes South Carolina's, and by extension all states that come to that decision, right to secede from the Union, as secured by the Constitution. However, the State of Kentucky disagrees with the decision in the current situation.

[Amendment: 19-10]

[Note: This resolution has not yet been voted on.]

Next Session

- Will take place in February 1861
 - Newspapers due tomorrow should be dated during that month.
- Will focus on Crittenden's Amendments, which will be discussed at the upcoming Washington "peace conference."
 - You will decide whether Kentucky supports some or all of these amendments.